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SUBJECT: WHALING ACTIVITIES OF FISHING VESSEL SIERRA

REF: (A) LONDON 13603 (B) STATE 67784 (E) STATE 110999

1. LLOYD'S REGISTER OF SHIPPING (REF A) REPORTS FISHING VESSEL SIERRA CHANGED ITS REGISTRY TO CYPRUS FLAG ON AUGUST 4, 1976. WHALING OPERATION OF SIERRA HAS BEEN SOURCE OF CONCERN TO USG, AS A MEMBER OF INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION (IWC), AND TO CONSERVATIONISTS FOR SOME TIME. VESSEL WAS REGISTERED PREVIOUSLY UNDER SOMALI FLAG OF CONVENIENCE AS OWNERS HAVE APPARENTLY ATTEMPTED TO AVOID PRESSURE TO CEASE WHALING OR ABIDE BY IWC RECOMMENDATIONS AND QUOTAS.

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2. DEPT HAS BEEN UNABLE TO OBTAIN RECENT INFORMATION CONCERNING SIERRA, BUT HAS REASON TO BELIEVE THAT VESSEL CONTINUES TO TAKE WHALES AND SELLS ITS CATCH, PROBABLY TO JAPAN.

3. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT

OFFICIALS TO VERIFY THAT SIERRA IS REGISTERED IN CYPRUS,
AND IF SO, TO INFORM THEM OF BASIC U.S. POSITION TOWARD
WHALING COUNTRIES WHICH ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE IWC
(REFS B AND C).

4. ANY INFORMATION ON WHALING OPERATIONS OF SIERRA, E.G.,
TYPE AND NUMBER OF WHALES CAUGHT, WHERE TAKEN, WHALE
MEAT OR OIL PROCESSING PLANTS IN CYPRUS, WILL BE GREATLY
APPRECIATED. VANCE

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